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Boylston Centre, Mass. March 22, 1906.

Irving F. Symonds,

Treasurer and Gen. Manager,

Banner of Light Publishing Co.

204 Dartmouth St. Boston Mass.

Dear Sir:-I expect the time has arrived when I am in duty bound by all the laws of commercial relations to ask and require of you a good and sufficient reason why no returns have been made to me for goods placed in your care, and for sale by you; said goods the property of the Wonder Wheel Co., of which I appear as the sole representative, in their act of confidence in you, (as representative of another Co.) as their agent.

It is now nearly two years since these goods and proper returns for the same were entrusted to you. In this time, You and I have come to three satisfactory tacit understandings of when your returns would be made. Once in the fall of 1904, in your office, when you stated that your company had a customary specific time for making returns on goods sold by your agency. Second when I met you on School street in the spring of 1905 and you asked me if I could not hold the W.W.Co. for another month. Again, when I called at your office in Jan. 1906, and you inferred that you were about to take the stock of the B.of L. goods and would have to delay the matter until that was done.

As I have never been explicitly informed of just when your management makes returns, I have had nothing more positive than the above to base expectations on, and I have made no strenuous efforts in the matter, fully relying upon your care of our interests. Two years, however, you must admit, is certainly a long time to wait

No 10

395 Shans

Inauguration of B. of L. Pat 6

July 13 1895

Isaac B. Rich

Included 9 Intels

(on 6000)

Issued from Inauguration Stock

Aug. 14/95 Mrs A. L. Pettingill #11 1 Share

24/95 Mrs. Maria Whitney #12 4 "

30/95 Mrs Margaret D. Graves #13 1 " Should be 2 Shans

Sept 11/95 " Almira E. Wheeler #14 1 "

" 11/95 Moses Hull #15 1 "

" 30/95 Mrs. E. F. Kuntz #16 1 "

Oct. 11/95 Jno. J. Greenough #17 1 " - Transferred to

Nov. 19/95 Jesse Asough #18 1 "

May 12/96 Mrs. C. J. Utterby #19 1 "

June 1/96 Jm Peabody #20 2 "

Mar 10/80 Wm F. Lymonds #34 & 35 60.

Change apparent

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478 Grand St
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1 Remove Barnett as Editor

2 Immediately bring suit against Barnett and attach his bank account.

3. Petition to have Barnett removed as Trustee of the Cliff Rogers fund.

4 Petition to fill Tuttle's place at once as Trustee of Cliff Rogers fund. (Dr. Chamberlain)

5. When Barnett is removed put in his place a new Trustee (Mrs. Soule)

6 Prosecute Barnett for perjury in swearing to inventory of Cliff Rogers set "inserted in Commons with Banc". (Not there at the time she knew it?)

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Facts given me by Cliff Rogers App. Eng. over the telephone
on Friday Nov. 6, 1903. P.M.

Cliff Rogers died 1897

The 4th clause in the will gives to Luther Colby and
Isaac B. Rich \$2000. in trust to invest & reinvest & to spend
the income and if expedient the principal or any part thereof for the
relief of claimants or mediums so called who may be in indigent
circumstances.

No surety on bond

Will probated early in 1898.

Nov. 22, 1898 \$1950. (legacy duty tax) was paid to Rich.

Rich resigned the trust in 1900. Spring or summer. Filed his account.

Barnett & Tuttle were appointed in his place. Inventory made in Aug.
1900. Showing them \$1761.35 in Nat. Bk. of Commerce.

(Copy)
Boston Feb. 12, 1904

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Present Irving F. Symonds, Walter P. Ricker, Minnie M. Soule, Mary J. Freitas and John F. Simmons, being all the Directors.

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description, at a cash price satisfactory to said Treasurer, said price not to be less than five thousand (5000.) dollars and the payment therefor to be cash and an immediate payment.

On motion of John F. Simmons it was unanimously voted

That the Treasurer be authorized and he hereby is authorized to purchase of the Dartmouth Company, at a price not to exceed par not less than fifty (50) nor more than one hundred (100) shares of the preferred stock of said Dartmouth Company.

On motion of John F. Simmons it was unanimously voted

That the Treasurer be and he hereby is instructed to pay, compromise and settle the outstanding indebtedness of this Corporation with the Preferred Stock of the Dartmouth Company so far as possible and to make, execute and deliver all papers and documents necessary to carry this vote and its purposes into effect.

On motion of John F. Simmons it was unanimously voted

That the General Manager be and he hereby is authorized and empowered to retain and employ counsel as he shall deem for the best interest of this Company and to begin, compromise and defend all such suits, and other legal processes, as he shall deem to be for the best interests of this Company.

Voted, To adjourn Subject to the call of the President

Secretary

February 11th, 1905.

The Board of Directors of the Banner of Light Publishing Company met at 204 Dartmouth Street, in the City of Boston, this day at 11 o'clock in the forenoon pursuant to the following notice.

Directors' Meeting.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Banner of Light Publishing Company will be held at 204 Dartmouth Street, in the City of Boston, on Saturday, February 11th, 1905, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the following purposes, viz:

To choose a President for the ensuing year.

To elect a General Manager for the ensuing year.

And to transact any other business which may come before said Board,

By order of the President,

Irving F. Symonds,

Secretary.

All the members were present, the President presided.

On motion of Mr. Simmons it was

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Dec. 1, 1903. 9
To the persons present in the office of W. B. Grant at 10.30 A.M. Dec. 1, 1903
~~to whom~~ I am credibly informed that John J. Simmons and Edwin M. Salk, two of
the directors of the B. & L. Pub. Co. have not been notified of this meeting being
This meeting having been illegally called, I, as a Director,
and the only stockholder present,
of the Banner of Light Publishing Company, hereby protest
against the said meeting being held or any business transacted
thereat. I refuse to take any other or further part in the proceedings
and ~~if I stay herein~~ ^{my presence} in this room ~~or~~ ^{is} I do so with the
understanding that I waive none of my objections to the illegality
of the call or ~~that~~ ^{to} of any business which may be attempted. I
also notify hereby every person present that neither individually
nor as Director or Treasurer or General Manager of the Banner
of Light Publishing Company shall I be bound by any action
which this meeting may attempt to take.

GEORGE F. GOULD
COUNSELLOR AT LAW
85 EXCHANGE ST.

CORPORATION AND COMMERCIAL
LAW.

PORTLAND, MAINE, May 1st, 1903.

At the session of the Legislature of this state, just ended, *important amendments* were made to our *Corporation Laws*. An examination of these amendments, will show that the law is now plain that: Corporations may provide in their by-laws for the *division* of the *board* of *directors* into *classes*; for their *election* for a *longer term* than *one year*; that *directors' meetings* may be *held outside of this state*; that *directors may act through committees*; that corporations may now be formed to *carry on the business, in other states and jurisdictions, of the construction and operation of Railroads and to aid in the construction thereof, Telegraph and Telephone Companies, Gas and Electrical Companies, subject, of course, to all local laws.*

The following are the sections as amended, the amendments are in italics:

REVISED STATUTES OF MAINE, CHAPTER 48.

Section 2. Such officers shall be chosen annually, and shall continue in office until others are chosen and qualified in their stead. There shall not be less than three directors, one of whom shall be by them elected president. No director can hold such office after he ceases to be a stockholder. The treasurer shall give bond for the faithful discharge of his duties, in such sum, and with such sureties, as are required. The clerk shall be sworn and shall record all votes of the (corporation) in a book kept for that purpose, *but nothing herein shall prohibit corporations organized under the general law from providing by their by-laws for the division of their directors into classes and their election for a longer term than one year. After the certificate of organization required by law is filed in the office of the secre-*

Dear Mr. Tuttle: —

Matters have not "developed" just as I had hoped they would in my business affairs, and Mrs Barrett's doctor has sent me a good bill for his pay. would you consent in granting me another loan out of the Trust fund secured by note as before, for seventy five dollars? I dislike my present predicament more than words can tell, but I have had my hands full in meeting the board bill of Mrs B. and current expenses, hence am short of cash for the emergency that has arisen. I do not mean to trespass but necessity is a hard master, whose edicts lash one into forced obedience.

Signed Your friend

H D Barrett,

Copy of letter found pinned to the papers in reference to the Cliff Rodgers fund.

Dec 1/03 Charles M. Hosmer

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Administrative
papers, Banner

Due by

1,000.	F.G.D.
300.	BofL.
125.	F.G.D.
150.	Barrett
58.85	BofL.

1,633.85

1766.35

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Cliff Rodgers Fund.

1900

June 22. Rec'd from Isaac B. Rich - do. -

Memo H.D. Barrett (in pencil)

June 26/00	H.D.B.	125.
July 14	"	75.
Oct 3	"	200.
Apr. 26/02	"	500.
		<u>900.</u>

500.
cl. Tr.
Oct 3/02

(11-975)

Repaid	200.	
on M.	250.	
Dec 19/03	<u>300.</u>	750.
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July 14 P'd - HDB 1517.35
75.00

July int 1442.35
1.50

Aug 20- Clapp Rogers Bill

Aug int 1443.85
39.50

Sept int 1404.35
1.50

Oct 3 HDB Barrett 1405.85
1.50

Sept int 1407.35
1.50

1901 Jan 17 Miss Leys 1207.35
50.00

1901 Apr 15 " " 1158.85
50.00

May 11 P'd by HDB 1108.85
100.00

1.208.85

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[FOREIGN CORPORATIONS.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.



OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF CORPORATIONS.

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, MAY 29 1906 190

Banner of Light Publishing Co

No return has been received at this office from said company for the year, 1906, as required by section 66, chapter 437 of the Acts of 1903, although a blank, proper for the return required, was seasonably forwarded to you.

Your attention is directed to the following provisions of the Statutes for securing a compliance with the law:—

[Chapter 437, Acts of 1903.]

SECTION 65. All foreign corporations of the classes described in section fifty-eight, and such foreign corporations as are engaged in the business of selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action, shall, within thirty days after the payment in of an increase of capital stock, upon payment of the fee hereinafter provided, file in the office of the secretary of the commonwealth a certificate of the amount of such increase and the fact of such payment, signed and sworn to by its president, treasurer and a majority of its directors or officers having the powers usually exercised by directors. Within thirty days after the vote of such corporation authorizing a reduction of its capital stock, a copy of such vote, signed and sworn to by the clerk of the corporation, shall, upon payment of the fee hereinafter provided, be filed in the office of the secretary of the commonwealth.

SECTION 66. Every foreign corporation of the classes described in section fifty-eight shall annually, within thirty days after the date fixed for its annual meeting last preceding the date of such certificate, or within thirty days after the final adjournment of said meeting, but not more than three months after the date so fixed for said meeting, prepare and file in the office of the secretary of the commonwealth, upon payment of the fee hereinafter provided, a certificate signed and sworn to by its president, treasurer and by a majority of its board of directors showing the amount of its authorized capital stock, and its assets and liabilities as of a date not more than sixty days prior to said annual meeting, in such form as is required of domestic corporations under the provisions of section forty-five, and the change or changes, if any, in the other particulars included in the certificate required by section sixty made since the filing of said certificate or of the last annual report.

SECTION 67. A certificate which is required to be filed by the preceding section shall be accompanied by a written statement under oath by an auditor, as provided in section forty-seven, except that such auditor shall in all cases be chosen by the board of directors. Before it is filed, it shall be submitted to the commissioner of corporations together with the evidences of the payment of any taxes which may have been assessed upon the corporation by any city or town in the Commonwealth for the year last preceding. The commissioner of corporations shall examine said certificate and said evidences and shall, as tax commissioner, assess upon the corporation an excise tax, if any is due, in accordance with the provisions of section seventy-five. If he finds that the certificate is in compliance with the requirements of the preceding section, he shall indorse his approval thereon; but no certificate shall be filed until he has indorsed his approval thereon and until the excise tax required by section seventy-five, if any is due, has been paid to the treasurer and receiver-general.

SECTION 68. A foreign corporation of the classes described in section fifty-eight, which omits to file the certificate required by section sixty-six, shall forfeit to the commonwealth not less than five nor more than ten dollars for each day for fifteen days after the expiration of the period therein named, and not less than ten nor more than two hundred dollars for each day thereafter, during which such omission continues, which shall be recovered as provided in section 50.

SECTION 69. The commissioner of corporations, upon the failure of any such corporation to file the certificate required by section sixty-six, shall forthwith notify such corporation, and the notice shall contain a copy of this and the four preceding sections and of section fifty.

SECTION 50. Penalties or forfeitures incurred by any corporation which, being subject to the provisions of this act, omits to cause any certificate or return which may be required by the provisions of sections forty-five, forty-eight, sixty and sixty-six, to be duly filed may be recovered in an action brought in the county of Suffolk in the name of the commonwealth, or they may be recovered by an information in equity in the name of the attorney-general at the relation of the tax commissioner or commissioner of corporations, as the case may be, brought in the supreme judicial court in the county of Suffolk. Upon such information, the court may issue an injunction restraining the further prosecution of the business of the corporation named therein until such penalties or forfeitures, with interest and costs, have been paid and until the returns and certificates required by this act have been filed.

An immediate compliance with the law is required on the part of your corporation.

Yours respectfully,

WILLIAM D. T. TREFRY,
Commissioner.

[FOREIGN CORPORATIONS.]

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.



OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF CORPORATIONS.

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, MAY 29 1906 190

Banner of Light Publishing Co

No return has been received at this office from said company for the year, 1906, as required by section 66, chapter 437 of the Acts of 1903, although a blank, proper for the return required, was seasonably forwarded to you.

Your attention is directed to the following provisions of the Statutes for securing a compliance with the law:—

[Chapter 437, Acts of 1903.]

SECTION 65. All foreign corporations of the classes described in section fifty-eight, and such foreign corporations as are engaged in the business of selling or negotiating bonds, mortgages, notes or other choses in action, shall, within thirty days after the payment in of an increase of capital stock, upon payment of the fee hereinafter provided, file in the office of the secretary of the commonwealth a certificate of the amount of such increase and the fact of such payment, signed and sworn to by its president, treasurer and a majority of its directors or officers having the powers usually exercised by directors. Within thirty days after the vote of such corporation authorizing a reduction of its capital stock, a copy of such vote, signed and sworn to by the clerk of the corporation, shall, upon payment of the fee hereinafter provided, be filed in the office of the secretary of the commonwealth.

SECTION 66. Every foreign corporation of the classes described in section fifty-eight shall annually, within thirty days after the date fixed for its annual meeting last preceding the date of such certificate, or within thirty days after the final adjournment of said meeting, but not more than three months after the date so fixed for said meeting, prepare and file in the office of the secretary of the commonwealth, upon payment of the fee hereinafter provided, a certificate signed and sworn to by its president, treasurer and by a majority of its board of directors showing the amount of its authorized capital stock, and its assets and liabilities as of a date not more than sixty days prior to said annual meeting, in such form as is required of domestic corporations under the provisions of section forty-five, and the change or changes, if any, in the other particulars included in the certificate required by section sixty made since the filing of said certificate or of the last annual report.

SECTION 67. A certificate which is required to be filed by the preceding section shall be accompanied by a written statement under oath by an auditor, as provided in section forty-seven, except that such auditor shall in all cases be chosen by the board of directors. Before it is filed, it shall be submitted to the commissioner of corporations together with the evidences of the payment of any taxes which may have been assessed upon the corporation by any city or town in the Commonwealth for the year last preceding. The commissioner of corporations shall examine said certificate and said evidences and shall, as tax commissioner, assess upon the corporation an excise tax, if any is due, in accordance with the provisions of section seventy-five. If he finds that the certificate is in compliance with the requirements of the preceding section, he shall indorse his approval thereon; but no certificate shall be filed until he has indorsed his approval thereon and until the excise tax required by section seventy-five, if any is due, has been paid to the treasurer and receiver-general.

SECTION 68. A foreign corporation of the classes described in section fifty-eight, which omits to file the certificate required by section sixty-six, shall forfeit to the commonwealth not less than five nor more than ten dollars for each day for fifteen days after the expiration of the period therein named, and not less than ten nor more than two hundred dollars for each day thereafter, during which such omission continues, which shall be recovered as provided in section 50.

SECTION 69. The commissioner of corporations, upon the failure of any such corporation to file the certificate required by section sixty-six, shall forthwith notify such corporation, and the notice shall contain a copy of this and the four preceding sections and of section fifty.

SECTION 50. Penalties or forfeitures incurred by any corporation which, being subject to the provisions of this act, omits to cause any certificate or return which may be required by the provisions of sections forty-five, forty-eight, sixty and sixty-six, to be duly filed may be recovered in an action brought in the county of Suffolk in the name of the commonwealth, or they may be recovered by an information in equity in the name of the attorney-general at the relation of the tax commissioner or commissioner of corporations, as the case may be, brought in the supreme judicial court in the county of Suffolk. Upon such information, the court may issue an injunction restraining the further prosecution of the business of the corporation named therein until such penalties or forfeitures, with interest and costs, have been paid and until the returns and certificates required by this act have been filed.

An immediate compliance with the law is required on the part of your corporation.

Yours respectfully,

WILLIAM D. T. TREFRY,
Commissioner.

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Subscriptions. 3,572.11

Advertising 1,272.93

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Free Tricle 5.-

Accounts. 4,446.28

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1902 - Cash Book

Subscription 45-66.55
 Advertising 867.28
 Cash Sales 2094.25
 Goods Poor Fund 24.10
 Accounts 7009.36
 Rent 477.-
 Barrett & Little Farm 550.-

15,588.54
 226.16

Bal

15,814.70

Paid out

15,760.80

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1900 Cash Books

Bal July 1/00 655.44

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Subscription	4963.19
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	Subscriptions	Adv	Cash Sales	Accounts	Rents	Exp. Paid	Totals
Jan.	548.50	60.75	269.50	222.79	—	7.50	1115.04
Feb.	451.73	114.22	255.00	292.50	70.00	6.00	1183.45
Mar.	473.76	72.31	250.10	615.23	78.50	1500.00	2989.90
Apr.	451.89	294.72	161.25	480.98	71.91	950.00	2410.75
May	359.36	105.64	221.75	623.16	—	—	1309.91
June	359.36	49.62	225.25	448.22	—	—	1056.53
July	333.44	157.20	189.25	454.95	—	—	1060.66
Aug.	265.26	106.95	194.66	1079.93	—	—	1831.16
Sept.	249.62	76.65	231.25	565.72	—	Free Cakes	1225.23
Oct.	351.61	151.96	259.75	410.18	—	300.00	1462.48
Nov.	340.59	115.45	209.42	469.61	—	300.00	1191.25
Dec.	396.77	201.64	373.50	1460.45	85.00	4330.00	2904.55
	740.66	1501.11	2840.68	7123.72	305.41	50.80	19540.91
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Mar.	473.76	72.31	250.10	615.23	78.50	1500.00	2989.90
Apr.	451.89	294.72	161.25	480.98	71.91	950.00	2410.75
May	359.36	105.64	221.75	623.16	—	—	1309.91
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Mar.	473.76	72.31	250.10	615.23	78.50	1500.00 Cable's Hotel	2989.90
Apr.	451.89	294.72	161.25	480.98	71.91	950.00	2410.75
May	359.36	105.64	221.75	623.16	—	—	1309.91
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July	265.26	157.20	189.25	454.95	—	—	1060.66
Aug.	249.62	106.95	194.66	1079.93	—	—	1631.16
Sept.	351.61	76.65	231.25	565.72	—	Free Crib 300.00	1225.23
Oct.	340.59	151.96	259.75	410.18	—	—	1462.48
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1900

Paul out

Jan.	1013.69
Feb.	1276.51
Mch.	2402.50
Apr.	1681.13
May.	1503.36
June.	1535.60
July.	1528.20
Aug.	1276.04
Sept.	1623.05
Oct.	1509.57
Nov.	1288.04
Dec.	982.13

17,619.82

1900

Bank Book

P. Pub Co.	Feb 9-	214.21
"	Apr 10-	100.-
"	May 8-	100.-
		<u>414.21</u>
Feb 12	4.69	

Mrs Paule mch. - 125.-

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1907 - Cash Book

Subscription	5331.29
Advertising	1371.15
Cash Sales	2395.84
Goods Portland	59.75
Free Pickle	6.25
accounts	6507.01
Trents	535.—
Geo A Fuller	350.—
Safe (Trents)	200.—

Bal 16,756.29

1355.58

Pd out

18,071.87

17,392.41

679.46

Paid out July 1/00 685.44
11/01 1315.58
11/02 226.16

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453.30

16

1907 Cash Book

	<u>Swamp</u>	<u>adv.</u>	<u>Net Sales</u>	<u>accts</u>	<u>Rent</u>	<u>BA Fuller</u>	<u>S.P. Fm</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Jan	577.35	80.20	312.15	277.88	—	350.00	18.00	1615.43
Feb	371.54	217.35	184.50	347.67	80.00	200.00	3.00	1404.06✓
Mar	346.32	98.83	231.75	611.02	55.00	—	—	1342.92✓
Apr	816.95	182.02	211.75	797.84	25.00	—	1.00	2034.56✓
May	390.49	85.00	223.25	330.68	55.00	—	—	1084.42✓
June	334.14	20.00	134.10	423.21	30.00	—	—	941.45✓
July	295.72	54.90	130.25	485.83	55.00	—	5.00	1026.70✓
Aug	269.31	20.43	136.27	245.21	45.00	—	—	716.22✓
Sept	449.90	15.10	116.75	407.57	30.00	—	—	1019.26✓
Oct	391.84	396.32	231.10	550.40	25.00	—	—	1594.66✓
Nov	393.22	30.65	200.82	713.92	55.00	—	6.50	1400.11✓
Dec	694.51	170.35	283.30	1315.84	80.00	—	32.25	2576.50✓
	5331.29	1371.15	2395.84	6507.01	535.00	550.00	59.75	16756.29✓

1901
Out Book
 July 9- OC Pub Co 150.-
 Apr 8- " " " 150.-
 Nov 22 " " " 100.-
 Dec 31 " " " 100.-
 550.-

1901
Pat out
 J. 982.13
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 M. 1490.71
 A. 1471.65
 M. 1056.22
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Memo showing how BofR Balance stands Oct 30 - 1903

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This item has been carried by the Co. with sanction of Mr. Barrett	301.30
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Cash	17.00
change	2.45
Stamps	1.95
	461.99

Due F. S. Tuttle Personal	20.-
" H. D. Barrett " in his envelope	66.-
Advanced by Occult Pub. Co	100.-
Due Mr Boule for last four weeks	
Salaries charged and not delivered during her illness	20.-

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Each Copy of memo found in the
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Post-office address of Company in Massachusetts:

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COLLECTIONS MADE IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

TELEPHONE 2100 MAIN.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

New England Law and Adjustment Co.

ROOMS 916, 918 WINTHROP BUILDING.

NO. 7 WATER STREET.

F. H. JENKINS, MANAGER.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE COMPANY.

Boston, March 23rd, 1906.

O. 914.

Banner of Light Publishing Co.,

Boston, Mass.

Dear Sirs:-

We have written you before in regard to the claim we hold against you in this office. Up to this time you have paid no attention to our demands and we are at loss to understand why you do not at least communicate with us in regard to the claim. If we do not receive a satisfactory settlement within ten days from date, we shall bring suit against you. You can save yourself trouble and expense by communicating with us by return mail.

This claim is in favor of S. J. Parkhill & Company.

Yours truly,

Frank H. Jenkins.

Plates stormy
Hats short
off with take out plates
They refused \$125+

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Financial papers, light

CITY OF BOSTON.
COLLECTING DEPARTMENT,
CITY HALL.

Boston, March. 26th 1906

*Banner of Light Pub. Company.
204 Dartmouth St.*

Dear Sir:

If no attention is given this notice,
the Collector will be obliged, under the
Statutes, to place his warrant in the hands
of the sheriff of your county to enforce
payment of the tax by distraint of property
or arrest of the debtor.

Please give this your early attention
and avoid needless trouble and unnecessary
additional expense.

Respectfully,

J. J. Daly

Deputy Collector.



Warrant Notice

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COLLECTING DEPARTMENT,
CITY HALL.

MAR 26 1906

To Scanner of Light Publishing Company.
204 North Street

SIR: I hereby demand payment of the tax assessed to
you by the Assessors of the City of Boston as of May 1,
1905, amounting to Forty eight dollars.

with the interest and costs.

EDMUND A. MACDONALD,

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TAX \$ 48.00

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Boylston Centre, Mass. March 22, 1906.

Irving F. Symonds,

Treasurer and Gen. Manager,

Banner of Light Publishing Co.

204 Dartmouth St. Boston Mass.

Dear Sir:-I expect the time has arrived when I am in duty bound by all the laws of commercial relations to ask and require of you a good and sufficient reason why no returns have been made to me for goods placed in your care, and for sale by you; said goods the property of the Wonder Wheel Co., of which I appear as the sole representative, in their act of confidence in you, (as representative of another Co.) as their agent.

It is now nearly two years since these goods and proper returns for the same were entrusted to you. In this time, You and I have come to three satisfactory tacit understandings of when your returns would be made. Once in the fall of 1904, in your office, when you stated that your company had a customary specific time for making returns on goods sold by your agency. Second when I met you on School street in the spring of 1905 and you asked me if I could not hold the W.W.Co. for another month. Again, when I called at your office in Jan. 1906, and you inferred that you were about to take the stock of the B.of L. goods and would have to delay the matter until that was done.

As I have never been explicitly informed of just when your management makes returns, I have had nothing more positive than the above to base expectations on, and I have made no strenuous efforts in the matter, fully relying upon your care of our interests. Two years, however, you must admit, is certainly a long time to wait

for agency returns, when we all know that the goods have moved and ~~no~~ monies have been received for them. Not one cent of return has been ~~offered~~ offered, yet we have been put to extra expense to uphold your efforts of sale. In the ordinary nature of business principles this must be an exceptional case for which no explanations have been made, except it be the difficulties which I was personally acquainted with, relative to Banner's business. I have never, however, considered that as in anyway affecting goods left in agency. Having, originally, made a proposition to you in writing, and agreed to by you in writing, it places me in the disagreeable position of defending both your rights as agent and, the rights of the W.W.Co. as principal. I have to this point defended your rights more forcibly than I have the rights of the W.W.Co. In so doing I have had my own reasons, which alone devolved upon me to defend, but, it has aroused an expressed suggestion that there may be a conspiracy between you and myself, or, on the part of either of us separately, to defraud the W.W.Co. of their commercial or property rights, or, something of the nature of a breach of trust on the part of either or both of us, personally. As I hold an exclusive authority over the use of my works by copyright, my act is defensible, except wherein it relates to the property value of these goods in question. That responsibility has been transferred to you as above understood by me and with my company's consent, and the tacit consent of the mortgagee of the goods. A few months since as you well know, an attempt was made to override both your position in the matter as well as my own. Ignorance of the true status of the ~~case~~ ~~case~~ case, brought the matter to a close. This was not done by

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Those back of me are restless and hold me responsible. As you have not been informed by me of the personnel of the W.W.Co., and as I have not been informed by you of the personnel of the Banner of Light Co. I suppose it is a matter that falls to the lot of you and me personally, to bring the matter to a point. As you have made no move in that direction, during the past two years, it seems to fall upon my shoulders, unless you assist. I don't like it as it appears to stand, but if it has to be for me to take the laboring oar, then of course I shall not shirk, but pull with all my might, as best I can, let the results be as they may come. I trust that you will find it convenient to do your portion of the work and relieve me of a one-sided strain.

Memoranda of the goods were taken and entered by you at the time of delivery, since which they have been beyond my jurisdiction.

No bill of sale, I believe, is required in agency, and I am not aware that bills should be rendered, as the account stands wholly with you.

There is, however, a small bill of goods that were purchased outright, by order from your company, antedating the time of agency.

That has never been settled, thus making an indebtedness by you as agent and purchaser, which has not been attended to for two years.

There is also a personal account, with me, for services rendered, which has also been unattended to, for quite awhile, and for this as an employee, I do not imagine it to require the presentation of bill.

If in any manner I have misstated the situation, it is open to your corrections, or if anything necessary for me to understand, other than as stated, I await ⁱⁿ your reply.

Fraternally,

*J. H. Webber, Representative
of W. W. Co.*

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Box 1, folder 4

Financial Paper

HARRISON D. BARRETT,
President.
FRED G. TUTTLE,
Treas. and Business Manager.

BANNER OF LIGHT PUBLISHING COMPANY,

204 Dartmouth Street.

Publishers,
Importers and
Booksellers.

TELEPHONE,
1113 Back Bay.

Duplicate
Boston, Mass.,

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SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

Name.	Address.	Time.	Amt.
✓ Mrs. A. L. Babb,	Glenburn, Me. (renewal)	1 yr.	\$2.00
A. L. Blaisdell,	St. Mary's, Penn.	1 yr.	2.00
✓ Mrs. P. B. Beale,	Gilford, Me. (renewal)	1 yr.	2.00
✓ F. H. Brown,	Onawa, Me. " on a/c	6 mos.	1.00
✓ J. O. Burgess,	Sangerville, Me., R. F. D. #1 (new)	1 yr.	2.00
✓ F. A. Bishop,	Bangor, Me., R. F. D. #3 (send bill)	1 yr.	
✓ W. P. Brown,	Carritunk, Me. (renewal)	1 yr.	2.00
✓ Mrs. Orrin Bussell	Oldtown, Me., Box 13	1 yr.	2.00
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✓ Mrs. H. M. Crafts,	Monson, Me. (renewal)	1 yr.	2.00
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✓ Mrs. Annie B. Clements,	White's Corner, Me. (renewal)	1 yr.	2.00
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✓ F. H. Coy,	Monson, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
✓ Abner Currier,	Skowhegan, Me. "	2 yrs.	4.00
✓ Joseph M. Davis,	Newburg Village, Me. "	9 mos.	1.50
✓ James Dodson,	W. Levant (renewal)	6 mos.	1.00
✓ Mrs. Geo. Damon,	Newport, Me., R. F. D. (new)	6 mos.	1.00
✓ Miss Flora Davis,	Hartland, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
✓ Mrs. J. T. Ellis,	Gilford, Me. (renewal)	1 yr.	2.00
✓ Elbridge Ellis,	Dexter, Me.	3 mos.	.50
✓ Mrs. Richard Friend,	Etna, Me. (new)	6 mos.	1.00

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A. L. Blaisdell,	St. Mary's, Penn.	1 yr.	2.00
✓ Mrs. P. B. Beale,	Gilford, Me. (renewal)	1 yr.	2.00
✓ F. H. Brown,	Onawa, Me. " on a/c	6 mos.	1.00
✓ J. O. Burgess,	Sangerville, Me., R. F. D. #1 (new)	1 yr.	2.00
✓ F. A. Bishop,	Bangor, Me., R. F. D. #3 (send bill)	1 yr.	
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✓ <i>Pharm</i> C. G. Farnum	12 Lowell St., W. Somerville, Mass.	1 yr.	43.00 \$2.00
O. W. Folsom,	c/o Fillmore & Morris (new) Amherst, Nova Scotia.	6 mos.	1.00
✓ Dr. H. E. Field,	319 Water St., Gardner, Me. (new)	1 yr.	2.00
Henry Frye,	Skowhegan, Me. (renewal)	1 yr.	2.00
W. E. French,	Madison, Me., R. F. D. #1 "	1 yr.	2.00
✓ S. M. Gile,	Sangerville, Me. (stop)		1.50
Mrs. Frances Gordon,	Thorndike, Me.	6 mos.	1.00
Mrs. W. J. Gordon,	Newport, Me.	1 yr.	2.00
✓ E. L. Horner,	Farmington, Me. (renewal)	18 mos.	3.00
Robert Hayden,	Athens, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
✓ Helen Neil Howard,	Skowhegan, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
✓ D. F. Hobart,	Skowhegan, Me., R.F.D. #45 "	1 yr.	2.00
✓ John Hunnewell,	Madison, Me., R.F.D. #1 "	1 yr.	2.00
✓ Lucy W. Houghton,	Madison, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
✓ Lillian A. Hunter,	Fairfield, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
✓ C. F. Kimball,	Carmel, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
✓ W. Kingman,	Tildon, Me. "	6 mos.	1.00
✓ Dr. John Kendall,	Skowhegan, Me. (new)	1 yr.	2.00
✓ Daniel W. King,	Bradford, Me. (renewal)	1 yr.	2.00
✓ Mrs. Wm. H. Lyons,	Augusta, Me., R.F.D. #4 "	1 yr.	2.00
✓ Dr. J. Littlefield,	Bangor, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00

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Name.	Address.	Time.	Amt.
Eliza G. Lincoln,	Newport, Me.	3 mos.	\$.50
Mrs. Abbie E. Lower,	Detriot, Me. (renewal)	1 yr.	2.00
Mrs. Lowe,	E. Mercer, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
Cyrus L. McLaughlin,	Milo, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
A. V. Metcalf,	Brunswick, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
B. C. Miller	N. Newport, Me. (new)	1 yr.	2.00
Mrs. Nellie G. Morse,	Belmont, Me.	6 mos.	1.00
A. W. McGuire,	Carmel, Me.	1 yr.	2.00
Mrs. A. N. Moore,	Bingham, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
G. N. Miller,	Carmel, Me.	6 mos.	1.00
Mrs. Nellie Nisbet,	Dexter, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
Mrs. Elizabeth A. Newton,	Jackman, Me. (new)	3 mos.	.50
Mrs. Julia Nickerson,	E. Belfast, Me.	1 yr.	2.00
C. L. Pollard,	Brunswick, Me. (renewal)	1 yr.	2.00
L. Marie Palmer,	Foxcroft, Me. "	6 mos.	1.00
M. Parks,	Bradford, N. H. "	1 yr.	2.00
Col. Stanley Plummer,	Dexter, Me. (new)	1 yr.	2.00
Adelle Porter,	Garland, Me.	1 yr.	2.00
Mrs. R. O. Parkman,	Garland, Me. (new)	3 mos.	.50
Mrs. L. P. Pratt,	Foxcroft, Me. Box 43	1 yr.	2.00
Mrs. Adeline Pease,	Stetson, Me.	1 yr.	2.00
Mrs. Oscar Prescott,	Pittsfield, Me. Box 545.	6 mos.	1.00
Martin L. Reynolds,	Augusta, Me., R.F.D. #3 (renewal)	1 yr.	2.00

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Mrs. ^{ewis} Louis Robinson, ✓	Carmel, Me. (new)	6 mos.	1.00
John Renier, ✓	Madison, Me., R.F.D.#1 (renewal)	1 yr.	2.00
Mrs. Viola A. B. Rand, ✓	Hartland, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
F. A. Reed,	15 Granite St., St. Auburn, Me.	6 mos.	1.00
L. C. Smith, ✓	Hampden, Me.	6 mos.	1.00
A. J. Skinner, ✓	Exeter, Me. (renewal)	1 yr.	2.00
Geo. W. Smith, ✓	Solon, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
Mrs. Amelia Stevens,	Stetson, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
Miss Etta Simonds,	Carmel, Me. Sub. ran out Mar. 1, '02		2.00
S. P. Strickland,	28 Montgomery St., Bangor, Me.	6 mos.	1.00
Mrs. Susan L. Shaw,	Brewer, Me.	1 yr.	2.00
Mrs. Sarah Safford,	Newport, Me.	1 yr.	2.00
Mrs. C. E. Smiley, ✓	Vassalboro, Me. (new)	3 mos.	.50
Mrs. Vonie F. Taylor, ✓	Skowhegan, Me. (renewal)	1 yr.	2.00
Mrs. John Tracy,	Riverton, Me.	1 yr.	2.00
A. C. Waugh,	E. Corinth, Me. (renewal)	1 yr.	2.00
Mrs. Mellie Whitney,	Norridgewock, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
W. D. Wetherbee, ✓	Etna, Me. on a/c		2.00
S. S. Woodman, ✓	Skowhegan, Me., R.F.D.#7 (renewal)	1 yr.	2.00
William Wentworth, ✓	N. Fairfield, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
Chas. A. Wheeler, ✓	Phillips, Me. "	1 yr.	2.00
Samuel Whittemore, ✓	Skowhegan, Me., Box 460 "	1 yr.	2.00

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Samuel Whittemore, ✓	Skowhegan, Me., Box 460 "	1 yr.	2.00

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In Witness Whereof, the said Company has caused this Certificate to be signed and its Corporate Seal affixed, by its President and Treasurer, at *Cumbridge* this *first* day of *October* A. D. 1906.

Wm. S. S. Mearns

Irving T. Seymour

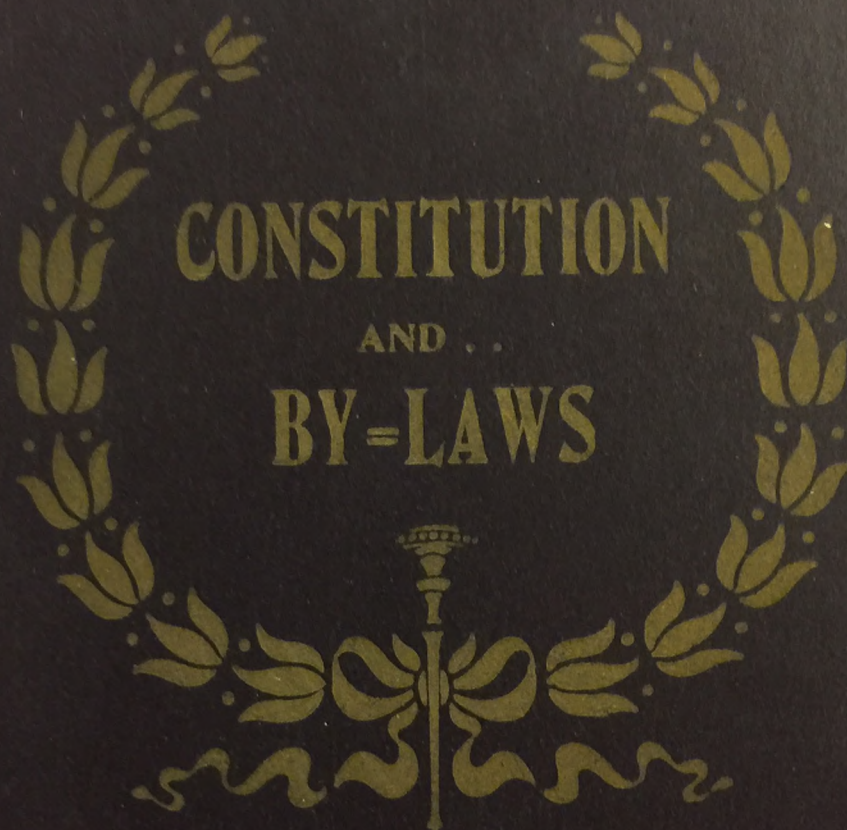
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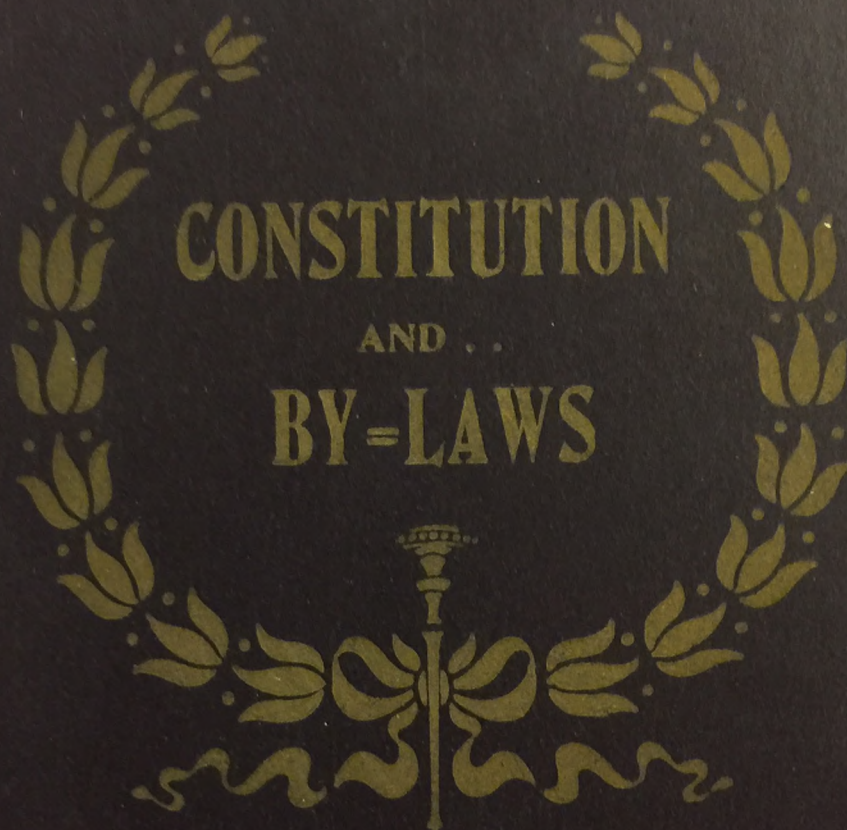
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I. E. GATES
35 WALL STREET
NEW YORK

Handwritten signature

July 23, 1902.

Fred G. Tuttle, Esq.,
204 Dartmouth St.,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

The 3rd Clause of the Will of the late Mrs. Susan L. Porter, Village of Oneonta, County of Otsego and State of New York reads as follows:

"In the City of Boston, Mass. there is a Society with which the late Luther Colby was connected in his life time, having in its charge a fund called "God's Poor Fund", to which I hereby give and bequeath unto the Trustees of said Society in trust the sum of \$500, to be used exclusively in accordance to the rules and regulations of the said Society which relate to and govern the appropriation and expenditure of said "God's Poor Fund."

Mr. Harrison D. Barrett informs me that the Society referred to in above quoted clause of the late Mrs. Porter's Will is "The Banner of Light Publishing Company."

Please advise me if this Company is duly incorporated, and if so, whether under a General Law or a specific Charter; date of organization and reference to official reports containing the Incorporating Act.

The 5th Clause of Mrs. Porter's Will bequeaths to the "Banner of Light Publishing Company", of the said city of Boston, Mass., or its successor, the sum of \$1,000.

John F. Simmons papers
Harry Houdini Collection
Box 1, file 7
God's Poor Fund

Boston February 8th, 1905.

For Value Received the Banner of Light Publishing Company, a corporation duly organized under the law of the State of Maine, hereby assigns, transfers and sets over to Frank W. Hunt Trustee, as collateral security for the payment of a note of said Company, dated February 8th, 1905 for one hundred and ninety four (194.) dollars payable in thirty days, all its claim and demand against the New York Life Insurance Company and Isaac B. Rich for three hundred (300) dollars and interest for funds of this Company illegally paid by a former Treasurer of said Company, one Frederick G. Tuttle, to said Life Insurance Company and by them illegally paid to said Rich, with the right in our name for his own benefit to collect the same by legal or equitable process or otherwise provided said note is not paid at maturity.

Banner of Light Publishing Company,

by

Irving F. Symonds
Treasurer.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

SUFFOLK, SS.
THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE CITY OF BOSTON,
FOR CIVIL BUSINESS.

Notice to judgment
debtor for examination
on first charge under
R. L., c. 168, §17.

To John F. Simmons

JUDGMENT DEBTOR ;

Frank W. Hunt

, the JUDGMENT CREDITOR ,

named in a certain execution against you and Banner of Light Publishing Company, a
corporation, and Minnie M. Soule, and Mary J. Frietas and Irving F.
Symonds, and Walter P. Ricker
dated the seventeenth day of August A. D. 190 6 ,

issued from the ~~Municipal Court of the City of Boston, for Civil Business, within said County of Suffolk~~

Superior Court for and within said County of Suffolk

having applied for a certificate authorizing your arrest, upon the first charge specified in Section 17 of
Chapter 168 of the Revised Laws, to wit: that you have property not exempt from being taken on execution
which you do not intend to apply to the payment of the plaintiff's claim; you are hereby notified to appear
before our said Court, for civil business, at the Court Room, Poor Debtor Session, No. 42 Court House,
Pemberton Square, in said Boston, on the twenty-seventh day of August
A. D. 190 6 , at nine o'clock in the fore noon, for examination in
accordance with the provisions of Chapter 168 of the Revised Laws, ~~and the Acts amendatory thereof and~~
~~supplementary thereto.~~

WITNESS, JOHN FREEMAN BROWN, ESQUIRE, at Boston, aforesaid,

{ SEAL. }

the seventeenth day of August

in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six.

H. R. W. Browne, Ass't. CLERK.

A true copy,

Attest:

George W. Crawford

Deputy Sheriff
Constable.

State of Maine.

Somerset, ss. Supreme Judicial Court. March Term, 1905.

Harrison D. Barrett, Pet'r.

vs.

Irving F. Symonds.

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Respectfully represents Harrison D. Barrett of Canaan in said County of Somerset that he is a legal stockholder of the Banner of Light Publishing Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Maine, and as such is properly qualified to hold the office of treasurer of said corporation or any other office in said corporation to which he may be elected by the stockholders thereof; that at the last annual meeting of said corporation, held at their office at 120 Exchange Street in the City of Portland in the County of Cumberland and State of Maine, he was a candidate for the office of Treasurer of said corporation, and upon the ballot for said office received a majority of the legal votes cast at said meeting; whereby, and by force of the by-laws of said company and the laws of the State of Maine he became entitled to qualify as such and to demand and receive the rights, privileges and benefits of said office, and the possession of such corporate books, papers, and other property as rightfully appertain to said office.

Your petitioner further represents that notwithstanding the lawful election of your petitioner as said treasurer, and his right to recognition as such by all the stockholders of said corporation, the said Irving F. Symonds, a resident

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C. P. Randolph,

Your petitioner further represents that the office of treasurer of said corporation is a position of public significance; that the right to hold said office is secured by the laws of the State of Maine, and that the franchise granted by the legislature of the State of Maine to the Banner of Light Publishing Company to act as a corporate body is abused and violated by the said Irving F. Symonds in refusing to recognize and in keeping from office your said petitioner, and in assuming to act as said treasurer without proper elections and qualification.

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Dated at Skowhegan, this twentieth day of February,
A. D. 1905.

HARRISON D. BARRETT.

STATE OF TEXAS.

Travis, ss.

Personally appeared the above-named Harrison D. Barrett and made oath that the foregoing allegations in his petition are true.

Before me,

C. P. Randolph,

(Seal)

Notary Public.

Somerset, SS: Clerk's Office, Sup. Jud. Court, Skowhegan, Maine.

Received and filed 25th day of February, A.D. 1905.

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Wm. F. Whitehouse,

Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court.

A true copy of petition and order of Court thereon.

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and for his costs in this. W. T. Seekins, Clerk.

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And further answering said respondent denies that upon the ballot for the office of Treasurer of said Corporation at the last annual meeting of the stockholders thereof, held as alleged in Portland in said State, said Barrett received a majority of the legal votes cast at said meeting.

And further answering said respondent denies that said petitioner by force of the by-laws, or by virtue of any other ballot, or otherwise, became or ever was entitled to qualify as such Treasurer, or to demand and receive the rights, privileges and benefits of said office and the possession of such corporation books, papers and other property as rightfully appertains to said office.

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And said respondent further answering denies that the office of Treasurer of said Corporation is a position of any public significance whatever and avers that this Court has no right, authority, or jurisdiction to act upon the matter presented in this petition, or to enter any order, or decree thereunder. And further answering said respondent avers that said

petitioner is an entirely unfit person to be the Treasurer of this or any other Corporation; that he is deeply in debt, that he is irresponsible, having no property or means and no fixed regular income of any sort; that he is a large debtor to this Corporation arising from serious financial irregularity in his conduct of the business of the Corporation while ^{that} he was for some years one of its Directors and its President ^{I had Company} and that said Corporation is and has been entirely unable to collect any part of said indebtedness; that while he, said Barrett, was in substantial control of said Corporation, the business of said Corporation was so poorly and dishonestly managed, that said Corporation became badly involved and that when said Barrett was ousted as Director of said Corporation by the stockholders, he attempted unsuccessfully to put said Corporation into a receiver's hands on account of the very indebtedness he himself had incurred and said respondent avers that the object of this petition is to enable said Barrett by obtaining control of the books and papers of said Corporation to destroy the evidence of his own former dishonesty and defalcations in the management of said Company and its business.

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By his Attorney,
John F. Simmons

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P R O T E S T

I, Samuel W. Gould of Skowhegan in the County of Somerset and State of Maine, being present at the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Banner of Light Publishing Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maine, and having an office and place of business at Portland in the County of Cumberland in said State, said meeting being held at the office of said Company at 120 Exchange St. in said Portland on the ninth day of February, A. D. 1905, hereby offer and ask to have incorporated in the records of said meeting the following protests, duly made at the time each vote was taken, to-wit:

1. I hereby protest against the report of the committee appointed to ascertain the number of shares of stock represented at said meeting, and against the decision of the chairman that said report was accepted, and claim that the stock actually represented at said meeting was as follows:

Irving F. Symonds	260 shares
Harrison D. Barrett, by myself as proxy	201 "
Estate of Frederick G. Tuttle, by myself as proxy	<u>201</u> "
Total	662 "

2. I hereby protest against the report of the teller appointed to report the vote for directors of said company for the ensuing year, for the following reasons, to-wit:

a. None of the five directors declared by the report of said teller to be elected are legal stockholders of said corporation, with the exception of Irving F. Symonds, and are therefore not eligible to hold office as such.

Harry Houdini Collection

Box 1, folder 10
Harrison F. Symonds

b. Said teller failed to return any of the 201 votes cast by myself as the legally qualified proxy of the estate of Frederick G. Tuttle, and only one of the 201 votes cast by myself as proxy of Harrison D. Barrett, although said votes were properly cast and entitled to be received and counted.

c. Said teller returned as legal votes a large number of votes cast by persons not legal stockholders or by persons representing others who are not legal stockholders; whereas the only votes returned by said teller which were legal and entitled to be counted as such were sixty votes cast by Irving F. Symonds and one vote cast by myself as proxy for Harrison D. Barrett.

d. The vote as actually cast, and which should have been returned by said teller, was as follows:

Harrison D. Barrett,)	
Evangeline L. Coffin)	Each 402 votes
Albert W. Brown)	
Irving F. Symonds)	260 votes.

3. I hereby protest against the report of the teller appointed to report the vote for clerk of said company for the ensuing year, for the following reasons, to-wit:

a. Same reasons set forth under 2, b, above.
b. " " " " " 2, c, "
c. The vote as actually cast, and which should have been returned by said teller, was as follows:

Stephen C. Perry, 662 votes.

4. I hereby protest against the report of the teller appointed to report the vote for secretary of said company for the ensuing year, for the following reasons, to-wit:

a. Same reasons set forth under 2, b, above.
b. " " " " " 2, c, "

Irving F. Symonds

c. The vote as actually cast, and which should have been returned by said teller, was as follows:

Evangeline L. Coffin, 402 votes

Irving F. Symonds, 260 votes

5. I hereby protest against the report of the teller appointed to report the vote for treasurer of said company for the ensuing year, for the following reasons, to-wit:

a. Same reasons set forth under 2, b, above.

b. " " " " " 2, c, "

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Harrison D. Barrett, 402 votes

Irving F. Symonds 260 "

6. I hereby protest against the decision of the chairman declaring the passage of a vote affirming and ratifying the acts of the officers and directors for the previous year, for the following reasons, to-wit:

a. The chairman wrongfully received the votes of those not legal stockholders, as already set forth.

b. The chairman wrongfully rejected the votes of myself as proxy for the estate of Frederick G. Tuttle, and all but one of the votes cast by myself as proxy for Harrison D. Barrett.

c. The vote as actually taken was 260 "aye" and 402 "no", by reason of which the motion should have been declared lost, and was in fact lost.

Irving F. Symonds

Claiming to represent by proxy 201 shares of stock owned by Harrison D. Barrett and 201 shares owned by the estate of Frederick G. Tuttle.

Anderson, Ind., July 19, 1902.

Mr. Fred G. Tuttle,
204 Dartmouth St.,
Boston, Mass.

~~My dear friend:--~~

I have received a proposition from a responsible party who is desirous of purchasing the Banner of Light. He wants to know how much you and I will take for our interests, and give the syndicate, of which he is one, a clear title to the entire plant. This will involve the purchase of Symond's interests, and the payment of the Frost & Hale claims. Can we do it?

I am willing to sell if you are, and await your answer, with no little interest.

I reached Anderson in safety, and have received all the letters you have forwarded to me. Many thanks for your kindness.

Please address your reply to this, and forward all mail hereafter to the Morton House, Grand Rapids, Mich.

I shall only be there for two or three days, but shall write you where next to address me.

With kindest regards, I am,

Your sincere friend,-----

(Signed) Harrison D. Barrett.

Circuit Court of the United States,

DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS.

No. 1823, *Eg.*

Barrett

v.

The Banner of Light Pub. Co. et al.

Your attention is called to the following Order of Court which applies to the above entitled cause. In order to have this cause carried forward to the new series of dockets a deposit of \$ *25* — must be made with the clerk on or before January 1, 1906. The entry of the order and the necessity of the deposit are made imperative by the action of the Department of Justice in requiring the clerk to account for all fees earned at the end of each six months, whether received or not.

ORDER OF COURT.

OCTOBER 5, 1905.

COLT and LOWELL, JJ. ORDERED, that at the February Term next the clerk open new dockets for all civil causes, whether at law or in equity, keeping separate dockets for civil causes at law and civil causes in equity as heretofore practised. The causes on each of said dockets shall be numbered consecutively, as heretofore practised, beginning with No. 1. The causes on the present dockets, which are carried forward to said new dockets, shall be entered on the same in the same relative order in which they now stand, but with new numbers as hereinbefore required. All causes on the civil dockets at law or in equity, in which no action has been taken since the first day of January, 1903, and in which none shall be taken on or before the first day of January next, shall immediately after said first day of January next be dismissed without costs and without prejudice, or be disposed of by the entry of neither party as the case may be. Such entries of dismissal or of neither party shall be made by the clerk in term time as of course, provided, however, that such entries shall not be made in any proceeding which appears by the docket or the record to be awaiting or abiding the result of any other proceeding, and provided further that such entry in any case may be stricken off by the court for good reason shown, subject to the loss by the case of its numerical order so far as convenience in the preparation of the new dockets may require; and for like good reason the court may exempt any cause from being so disposed of. It is further ordered that before any cause shall be entered upon the new series of dockets, whether at law or in equity, there shall be deposited with the clerk an amount sufficient to cover the clerk's fees which have already accrued, and which are likely to accrue, said amount not to exceed twenty-five dollars in an equity case and fifteen dollars in an action at law.

It is further ordered that on and after February twenty-seventh next, upon the opening of the new series of dockets, upon the filing of a bill in equity there shall be deposited with the clerk the sum of twenty-five dollars, and upon the entry of an action at law the sum of fifteen dollars, which amounts shall be placed to the credit of the respective causes; upon the disposal of a cause the clerk shall within five days return to the party making the deposit any balance which may remain after deducting the fees due the clerk.

It is further ordered that the clerk shall, on or before the fifteenth day of November next, mail a printed copy of this order to each of the parties in all pending causes, or to his attorney, so far as practicable to ascertain him or his address, making a memorandum thereof on the docket against the case, and shall give public notice of these orders by causing attested copies of the same to be published at least three times in two of the daily papers of the city of Boston.

By the Court:

John F. Simmons, Esq.

BENJ. H. BRADLEE,

Deputy Clerk.

Box 2 Folder 1
Harrison D. Barrett

H D Barrett

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addition
to Salary

H. D. Barrett Checks not Entered on Cash Book -

1900-

May	8 th	200.	OK #549	No evidence that any of this paid to me
June	26 th (Rogers)	125.	" 615	
July	14 th (Rogers)	75.	" 628	
Sept	12 th	45.	" 686	
Oct.	3 rd (Rogers)	500.	" 722	Temp. Loan

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		28	48.50	" 910.	Salary
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	June	3	36.75	" 613	Salary
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	July	18	50.	" 656	4 " "
	"	30	50.	" 664	4 " "
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	Oct.	9 th	9.	" 729	for G. P. Ford
	Nov.	14	35.	" 767	Temp Loan
	Dec.	12	25	" 800	Salary
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	Mar.	21	60	899	" " "
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" 1461 2 4 1/2 2 1/2

Sept. 28 150.

" 1555 "acch. cont. advm.
(see his acct. Nov. 22)

2308.75

at 1000 Sub,
1605 to Credit
in Cat Pages 658 + 660
also the small items.

Oct. 1903

#1.

B.J. Bonnet Sub. recd. not pd over

Acct made by Bonnet bal due Sept. 16, 1903 159.90

Letter from Bonnet - w/ enclosure -

Copy of enclosure
Letter

Authentic to journal